

Amendments to the Abstract

Please replace the Abstract with the following rewritten Abstract:

-- A method of sending an electronic communication from a first terminal to a second terminal via one or more hosts. According to one embodiment, the method includes sending a query for [an] a first address for a first host to a first domain name server[, the first domain name server having a domain name]. The method also includes sending a query for [the] a second address for the first host to a second domain name server when the first domain name server does not resolve the first address, wherein the second [domain name server having a domain name including an extension, wherein the extension includes the domain name of the first domain name server] address is a hierarchical extension of the first address. In addition, the method includes resolving the second address at the [secondary] second domain server.--
